REMARKS

Applicant has amended claims 14, 25 and 27 to remove improper multiple dependency and has added claims directed to subject matter covered by some of the improper claims.

Applicant has also amended the claims to remove undesired language that could be misinterpreted as limiting the scope of the claims pursuant to 35 USC 112, sixth paragraph.

These amendments do not narrow the scope of the claims.

In the event that the transmittal letter is separated from this document and the Patent Office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, applicant petitions for any required relief including extensions of time and authorizes the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to <u>Deposit Account No. 03-1952</u> referencing <u>488442006100</u>.

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